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Re-employment of Gazetted Officers.

* 292 *Q.*—Sri V. V. RAMASAMI: Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state the names of Gazetted Officers whose terms have been extended beyond the date of their compulsory retirement or who have been re-appointed after their retirement since 1950 and the reasons therefor?

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" A list[a] showing the names of Government servants who were re-employed or whose services were extended since 1950 is placed on the table of the House."

Sri V. V. RAMASAMI :—" Sir, in cases where the services of certain officers are extended, or when they are re-employed, will the Government consider the advisability of not giving them administrative powers if they are posted to the same offices which they held before retirement? "

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" When an officer is re-employed, he is appointed to the same post he held before retirement because it is found necessary to have his services continued and I do not understand how the administrative responsibility could be taken away from him."

Sri R. V. SWAMINATHAN :—" Sir, these extensions and re-employments are not limited to one or two cases, but it is found that as many as 93 persons have been re-employed. May I know the reasons for this kind of wholesale re-employment of these old people and may I also know whether no other efficient people are available from the ranks to fill up such posts? And what is the idea of the Government in going on re-appointing these people? Is it the idea of Government to re-appoint only old people and create a museum in the department? "

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" The reasons for re-employment and extension are given in column 5 of the statement furnished."

Dr. K. B. MENON :—" Are the Government aware, Sir, that heads of departments are getting two or three extensions and that the limit has gone even to extensions for 15 years in service. Will the Government stop this discrimination in favour of old and give chances to the young? "

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" Sir, I think, I have gone through the statement also and I do not think the services of any officer has been extended for 15 years as far as I could see. But, I do agree that there should not be too many extensions or re-employment for too many years."

Sri P. V. R. GAJAPATHI RAJU :—" Sir, is there any principle in extending a man's services after he has reached the age of 55? Do the Government re-appoint merely because they prefer a particular individual, or are all officers who reach the age of 55 automatically given extensions? "

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THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" The rule is that no extension or re-employment is given to any officer, but where it is considered that the services of a certain officer are necessary and that he should be re-employed in public interest, extension or re-employment is given. I may inform hon. Members that the present policy of the Government is not to give any extension, but if necessary, he is only re-employed."

SRI V. SRI KRISHNA :—" ఈ మధ్య కేంద్ర ప్రభుత్వంనుంచి re-call చేయగా వచ్చినటువంటి officer కు యిక్కడ రెవిన్యూ డిపార్టుమెంటులో బాధ్యతగల ప్రముఖ స్థానం యిచ్చారని తెలిసింది. ఆయన మీద corruption charges వున్నవి. కాబట్టి, ఆ విషయంలో ప్రభుత్వం ఏమైనా ఆలోచిస్తున్నదా ? "

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" Does the hon. Member refer to any officer whose services have been extended or who has been re-employed? "

Central grant for famine relief works.

* 293 *Q.*—SRI K. T. KOSALRAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Land Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) what is the amount till now given to this Government by the Government of India for the famine relief works; and

(*b*) how the amount has been distributed among the districts?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" (*a*) The Government of India have promised to bear 50 per cent of the expenditure on running gruel centres subject to a maximum of Rs. 48 lakhs. The amount has not yet been claimed.

" (*b*) The question of distribution among districts does not arise as it is only a half grant for the expenditure already incurred."

SRI K. T. KOSALRAM :—" இப்பொழுது பஞ்ச நிவாரண வேலையை அரசாங்கம் செய்ய ஆரம்பிப்பதற்கு முன்னால் ஆங்காங்குள்ள ஜில்லாக் கலெக்டர்கள் விடுகிற வேண்டுகோள்படியே அரசாங்கம் கேட்கிறதா அல்லது அரசாங்கமாக ஆந்திரதேசத்திலுள்ள நண்பர்கள் ராயல்சீமாப் பஞ்சம் பஞ்சம் என்று கூக்குரல் போடுவதைக் கேட்டுக்கொண்டு நண்பர் நாகி ரெட்டி போன்றவர்கள் யோசனை சொல்லக்கூடியவர்களின் பேச்சை வைத்துக் கொண்டு நடவடிக்கை எடுக்கிறதா அல்லது அரசாங்க அதிகாரிகளுடன் கலந்து கொண்டு நடவடிக்கை எடுக்க முயற்சிக்கப்போகிறார்களா? "

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" In the form of putting a question, I think, the hon. Member has made a small fine speech and I do not know, Sir, whether you will allow me to make as long an answer as that. I would say this much. Proposals are got from District Collectors and the Government scrutinise them and we are not bound to accept them as they are; we may increase or lessen anything as circumstances demand."